ematics and Natural Philosophy in the University of the City of New York, and referred to a committee consisting of Prof. Kendall, Dr Bridges and Mr. Lesley.

Pending nomination No. 392 was read, and the Society was adjourned.

Stated Meeting, September 16, 1859.

Present, twelve members.

Prof. CRESSON, Vice-President, in the Chair.

A letter was read from the American Oriental Society, dated New Haven, July, 1859, announcing the transmission of a donation to the Library, and requesting exchanges.

A letter was read from M. F. Maury, dated Washington, Sep. 2, 1859, inclosing a communication from Com. Wüllerstorf, just returned from a scientific voyage of circumnavigation in the Austrian Frigate Novara, entitled, Essay upon the determination of the form of the earth by means of simultaneous observations with the barometer and aneroid.

A letter was read from G. A. Matile dated Phila. Aug. 27, in relation to the publications of the Roy. Acad. at Brussels.

The following donations for the Library were announced:-

Amer. Journal No. 83, September. N. Haven.—From the Editors. Frank. Inst. Journal. No. 405. Sept. Phila.—From the Institute. Med. News and Library. No. 201. Sept. Phila.—From the Eds. African Repos. XXXV. No. 8. Aug. Wash.—Amer. Col. Soc. Astronomical Notices, No. 7, 8. Albany.—From the Editors. Proc. Boston N. H. Soc. VII. 5, 6, Boston.—From the Society. Proceedings Acad. Nat. Sci. 14. Philadelphia.—From the Acad. Proc. N. Jersey Hist. Soc. VIII. 4. Newark.—From the Society. Journal Amer. Oriental Society from the beginning.—From the Soc. Journ. Elliot S. N. H. Vol. 1. 1, 2. Charleston.—From the Soc. N. Y. Mercan. Lib. As. 38th An. Rep. 1858–9.—From the Asso. La Bourgogne, revue (Enologique, 1 liv. Dijon.—C. Ladrey, Ed. Die principien der heutigen physik. Oration by Dr. Andreas, R. von Ettinghausen. Oct. 29, 1857. Wien.—I. R. Academy. Inquiries concerning a charge of interception in No. 124 of Gould's

Astronomical Journal, by John Patterson. Albany.

The committee to which was referred the paper of Prof. Loomis, reported in favour of its publication in the Transactions, which was ordered accordingly, and the committee discharged.

The decease of Richard Rush, a member of this Society, (elected Jan. 17, 1817), was announced by Dr. Bache, as having occurred in July last. On motion of Judge Sharswood, it was ordered that Mr. C. F. Ingersoll be requested to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

The paper of Com. Wüllerstorf was referred to a Committee consisting of Prof. Kendall, Prof. F. Rogers and Prof. Cresson.

Prof. Cresson made an oral communication on the auroræ boreales, which occurred on the evenings of Aug. 28th and Sept. 1st, and described minutely their various changes of appearance. Remarks were made by Prof. Trego, Dr. Emerson, Dr. Coates and Prof. Lesley.

Pending nomination No. 392, and new nomination No. 393, were read, and the Society was adjourned.

Stated Meeting, October 7, 1859.

Present, fifteen members.

Prof. Cresson, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read from E. Uricoechea, President of the New Grenada Society of Naturalists, dated Bogota, 10—8, 1859, desiring the publications of this Society;—from Capt. Wilkes, U. S. N. dated Washington, Sept. 29, announcing the transmission of a donation for the library:—from the Conn. Hist. Soc. dated Hartford, acknowledging the receipt of No. 61 of the Proceedings;—and from Col. Graham dated Chicago, Sep. 20, enclosing the following addition to his contributions No. 3.

VII. ASHTABULA, OHIO.

Station.—The centre of the North Public Square, bounded on the north by a lane thirty feet wide, on the south by Division street, on the east by Main street, and on the west by Park street.

VIII. ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA.

At the end of this article, and immediately preceding the closing